



(Time: 2.00 to 4.15 p.m.)

SATSANG PARICHAY : PAPER - 2

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SECTION 1: KISHORE SATSANG PARICHAY - 4th Edition, July 2014

Total Marks: 75

- Q.1 In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when.** [9]
1. "Today we are performing the post-death rites of my aunt, Putlibai."
 2. "Mama's sadhus were insulted, beaten and driven away."
 3. "You must act in a manner that will please Shriji Maharaj."
- Q.2 Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each).** [6]
1. Unnad Khachar protected Kadvibai.
 2. Shriji Maharaj touched the containers with his stick during the yagna at Dabhan.
 3. The duties relating to religion should be performed immediately.
- Q.3 Write short notes on 'Rajbai' (in 15 lines).** [5]
- Q.4 Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer.** [5]
1. Why did the snake become quiet?
 2. Whom did Shriji Maharaj ask about the identity of Nathu? Where?
 3. When does the figure become a murti?
 4. With whom is the Param Ekantik Sadhu in constant communion?
 5. What did Shriji Maharaj ask Sundarji to do in order to test him?
- Q.5 'Vishayne marge.....' - Complete the Swamini Vat and narrate it.** [5]
- Q.6 Complete the following.** [8]
1. Netrakamalne re dukh bhage.
 2. Kanak chhadi sundar tap shamavta re.
 3. Nija-pad-payoja kirtanam bhaje sada.
 4. Translate the shlok into English: Aharnidrabhayamaithunama pashubhi samanaha.

SECTION 2: PRAGJI BHAKTA - 4th Edition, September 2009

- Q.7 In the sentences below, state who is speaking to whom and when.** [9]
1. "What will happen to us when you will be no more."
 2. "It can only be given to a valiant soul who has total control over all his senses and body and is prepared to surrender himself completely to me.."
 3. "You have mastered all the shastras and I have completely taught you brahmavidya."
- Q.8 Give reasons for the following (two to three lines each).** [6]
1. Acharya Maharaj had a turban tied on Bhagatji as a mark of honour.
 2. Devotees from Khandesh started visiting Mahuva to stay in the company of Bhagatji.
 3. The sadhus got an opportunity of serving Bhagatji in Bhadrod.
- Q.9 Write short notes on any ONE of the following. (In 15 lines.)** [5]
1. Key to Akshardham Lies with Pragji.
 2. Sixty-Eight places of Pilgrimage at Thy Feet.
- Q.10 Answer ALL of the following, using one sentence (not just one word) for each answer.** [5]
1. What did Bhagatji Maharaj prepare for Acharya Maharaj?
 2. Who can be called a guru?
 3. How many malas did Bhagatji Maharaj turn for the welfare of the devotees?
 4. During Bhagatji's last illness, what did Yagnapurushdasji request him in a letter?
 5. What did Swami say on arriving at the Nagarwada Gate?

Q.11 From the given options, place a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct options. [6]

Note: One or more of the options may be correct. Full marks will be awarded only if all the correct options are chosen, otherwise no marks will be awarded.

1. Pragji Bhakta and Mahant Suryabharathi

- (1) ☐ Pleased with the child's devotion.
- (2) ☐ Pragji Bhakta cooked and fed the Mahant.
- (3) ☐ Served the Mahant.
- (4) ☐ He narrated the Mahabharat to Pragji Bhakta.

2. Girdharbhai in search of Satpurush

- (1) ☐ Started praying before the murti of Ghanshyam Maharaj.
- (2) ☐ After one month, Maharaj gave darshan.
- (3) ☐ Pragji Bhakta is my most beloved devotee.
- (4) ☐ I remain manifest in the satsang through Gunatitanand Swami.

3. Swami said in order to test Pragji Bhakta

- (1) ☐ Asked to fetch five hundred spades and two hundred buckets.
- (2) ☐ Asked to fetch three hundred buckets.
- (3) ☐ Asked to fetch two hundred spades and five hundred buckets.
- (4) ☐ Asked to fetch four hundred spades.

Q.12 Rewrite the incorrect sentences below in relation to the sentence heading. [6]

Note: Marks will be awarded only if a completely correct sentence is written. Otherwise no marks will be awarded.

Example: Grand reception at Junagadh: An Amin devotee named Acharya Jatashankar once asked his student, Manilal Bhatt, "How is it that Jaga Bhakta, a cobbler, sits on a raised seat and the Acharya prostrates to him?"

Ans. Grand reception at Junagadh: A Nagar devotee named Dr. Umiyashankar once asked his guru, Balmukunddasji, "How is it that Pragji Bhakta, a tailor, sits on a cot and the sadhus prostrates to him?"

- 1. **I am Possessed by Swaminarayan:** Once, Kothari was the guest of Diwan Saheb of Nadiad. Diwan Saheb's security guard was a Muslim. He was a genuine aspirant of God and came to offer his respects to Kothari.
- 2. **Trouble for Bhagatji's Sadhus:** Shamji is a man of firm dedication. Even when he was thrown out of mandir, he continuously worshipped Ranchhodji. He sat at the mandir gate and sought darshan of parshad and devotees.
- 3. **Jnan yagna in Ahmedabad:** Whenever a meal was sponsored by Acharya's family, Kothari Maharaj looked food himself.
- 4. **Request for Akshar Jnan:** "Please bless me with your gadi, show me your dwelling place and make me a true sadhu."
- 5. **Discord in the fellowship:** While returning to Vartal, Swami arrived at Dabhan, a village in Anand district. Here, Swami blessed Jina Bhagat (Yogiji Maharaj) the eighteen-month-old son of Devchandbhai.
- 6. **Bliss in solitude:** Swami told the Bhagatji, "These white clothes are a great command. Therefore go jungle and practice austerity." However, the sadhus expressed their firm determination of worshipping God, while doing strict fast. Swami was greatly pleased to learn of their firm resolve.

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